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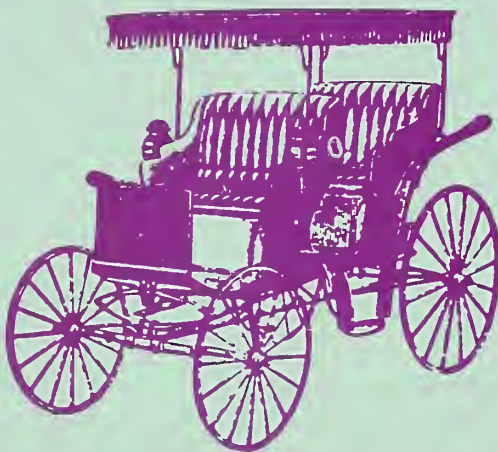
Meeting in New Orleans, Louisiana, on April 16–18, 1978, were members of the Depository Library Council to the Public Printer. Attending were documents librarians from points as distant as the State of Washington, along with John J. Boyle (Public Printer), Carl A. LaBarre (Superintendent of Documents), John D. Livsey (Director, Library and Statutory Distribution Service), Government Printing Office staff members, and representatives of the Joint Committee on Printing.

Signing the Visitor's Register were 69 people, almost all librarians. They came from 26 states and the District of Columbia. The roster of states was most impressive: Alabama, Arizona, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Nebraska, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Texas, Virginia, and Washington. This clearly shows that Depository Library Council meetings have become national in librarian representation drawing from over half the United States!

Presentations were made to Council by GPO staff members. Karl Keever, Field Operations Manager, reported on the modernization and improvement in management at the GPO Sales Office. Emphasis has been placed on speeding up the processing of all incoming mail. This includes getting 95% of all paid subscriptions entered into a data base within five days.

Stuart Greenberg, Chief of the Cataloging and Classification

National Representation at Southern Council Meeting



Branch, spoke on progress being made with the **Monthly Catalog**. Some scheduled improvements have not yet been completed by the contractor, but are expected by the end of summer. In order to speed up entries and to bypass OCLC "down time" a plan has been put forward for the use of an independent computer at GPO. This would also provide for in-house editing and video composition production of the **Monthly Catalog**, as well as capability for additional subject headings. This data would then be transferred to OCLC on a regular basis.

Much discussion centered around the GPO microform effort and the earlier meeting of the Micropublishing Advisory Council (reported in June's HIGHLIGHTS). There was expressed general support for the conclusions of Dr. Albert R. Materazzi's study on the respective uses of diazo and silver halide film for microfiche. Council went on to recommend that: *GPO should provide to*

depository libraries, on request, replacement of any depository microfiche which fades or otherwise deteriorates because of production factors. GPO should assume responsibility for and develop a mechanism for replacement of depository microfiche which are lost or mechanically damaged. Considering economic factors, distribution would be free or at a cost to the depository libraries. The Government Printing Office should request the Joint Committee on Printing to amend the existing authorization for the depository micropublishing program to accommodate this function.

Preference was expressed by Council for priority titles to be considered for microfiche. These would include the 23 listed in "Appendix A" of the **Guidelines for the Depository Library System**, as well as certain groups or types of publications. Examples of the latter would include: **Department of the Army Regulations, EPA Socioeconomic Environmental Studies Series, Flood Insurance Studies, IRS Looseleaf Regulations System, National Labor Relations Board Annual Report, National Labor Relations Board Decisions and Orders, Patent Office Official Gazette, etc.**

Also recommended by Council was the insertion of a white backing sheet of acid free paper behind the first fiche of each multifiche title shipped in a single envelope.

Council discussed the GPO Depository Library Inspection Program and recommended reworking the inspection procedure in the light of the recently issued **Guidelines**. The desirability of advance notice, evaluative feedback, ample time for con-



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sultation, and meeting with administrative personnel were stressed.

Prospective revision of Chapter 19, Title 44, **United States Code**, was anticipated with the following aims to be achieved by amendment: (1) assure *Regional depositories* eligibility to receive second copies of selected documents; (2) involve *Regional depositories* in the designation process for new selective depositories; (3) authorize reimbursement of *Regional depositories* for costs incurred in their activities as *Regionals*; (4) provide for professional training and consultation by *Regionals* in the use and management of Government documents; (5) require newly designated depository libraries to have at least 15,000 books; (6) provide more flexibility in the item selection process; (7) expand the definition of a "Government publication" to include documents produced "in whole or in part" at Government expense; (8) include Congressional committee prints as depository items; (9) authorize the Superintendent of Documents to permit depository libraries not served by a *Regional* to dispose of depository documents more than five years old.

A resolution was also passed recommending that the Superintendent of Documents fund a study to determine the complete costs to a *Regional* of its depository service, including outreach to selective depositories.

These are only the "highlights" of a very full Council meeting. A more comprehensive coverage has been sent out to depository libraries in the form of a summary by Council Secretary, Laura Rainey.

Council Meeting a Winner!

[The following letter to the Public Printer should give encouragement to those considering attending the Fall Council meeting in the heart of historic "Old Alexandria."]

Dear Mr. Boyle:

A staff member and I have just returned from New Orleans where we attended the meeting of the Depository Library Council to the Public Printer. It was a pleasure to meet with such concerned GPO staff members and the very active Council.

The most encouraging aspect of the meeting was the overall desire of the Government Printing Office to respond to librarians' needs. This attitude is so welcome in a time that Government seems to be too involved in bureaucratic redtape.

We look forward to attending the next Council meeting. This last meeting would have been a success even if it had not been held in such a fascinating city!

Sincerely,

Barbara M. Williams
State Librarian
Commonwealth of Kentucky

The advent of the Microfiche Project in the Depository Library Program necessitated minor modifications to the cataloging of these records. It must be noted from the outset that GPO catalogers compile their information from the hard copy edition and not the microfiche of same. These procedures have been established because there is no firm guarantee that all issuances in a series, a multivolume set, etc., will be placed on microfiche. There would also be serious problems in closing the entry of a series cataloged in two different formats. It was decided, in the name of consistency, to catalog all such publications from the hard copy. This circumvents the problem of changing from a microform format to a book format, or microfiche to hard copy on a case-by-case basis.

The note (**Microfiche**) appearing after the item number indicates that depository distribution of that particular document has been made in microfiche. However, the remainder of the cataloging information pertains to the hard copy issue.

A small number of Federal documents are issued only in microfiche and are cataloged as such. Noticeable differences in the collation for these documents delineate the physical form of the publication. The first element reflects the number of microfiche sheets immediately followed by the number of pages photographed enclosed in parentheses. The last element is the size of the microfiche. A document of 200 pages that has been photoreproduced on three sheets of microfiche measuring 7.5 centimeters by 9.5 centimeters would be cited as: **3 sheets (200 pages); 7.5 x 9.5 cm.**



Historic "Old Alexandria" Fall Council Meeting Site

Depository Library Council To Meet October 9th, 10th, 11th

The Depository Library Council to the Public Printer will hold its fall meeting **October 9–11, 1978**. The place will be:

**Holiday Inn—Old Town
480 King Street
Alexandria, Virginia 22314**

Everyone interested in the Depository Library Program is most welcome to attend and participate. A block of 25 single rooms has been reserved especially for librarians. Reservations should be made early as this is considered by many to be Northern Virginia's loveliest season. Just call the Reservation Desk at: **(703) 549-6080**; and for any special needs ask for Mrs. Bonnie Norris, Sales Director, at **extension 112**.

Located in Old Town, Alexandria, approaching historic Market Square near the Potomac River, this Holiday Inn with its arches and fountains is often mistaken for another 18th century landmark. It is only three miles south of National Airport, easily reached from Route 1, George Washington Memorial Parkway, and the Mount Vernon Bicycle Trail: all of which cross King Street!

Changing Addresses?

If your depository is changing its address, be sure and remember to notify the Library and Statutory Distribution Service. In recent weeks, some entire shipments have been returned to us by the Post Office because the library was no longer at the address on our label!



Unusually interesting is the locale of the upcoming meeting of the Depository Library Council to the Public Printer on October 9th–11th. It is in the very heart of "Old Alexandria" on the shore of the Potomac River, a designated historic district of 18th century buildings: many connected with such Revolutionary figures as President Washington and his friend, the Irish-American patriot, Colonel John Fitzgerald.

Founded by Scots in 1749, who had lost their own struggle for independence on Cullodan Moor three years before, "Old Alexandria" is rich in history and also abounds with craft shops and outstanding restaurants. Free printed information is available for the asking on

this and the surrounding area. Just write or call the good people at the **Bicentennial Center**.

Among the many publications which they distribute are: a brochure on "Old Alexandria," the booklet titled *Rambling Through Alexandria*, a brochure on "Virginia Plantations," the "State Highway Map of Virginia," a map of "Historic District of Columbia," and specific information on any historic places in the City, the State, or the District about which a visitor might wish to know.

**George Washington
Bicentennial Center
201 South Washington Street
Alexandria, Virginia 22314
(703) 750-6677**

Questions and Answers



Q. Documents Librarian Carol McCarley of the Memphis/Shelby County Public Library and Information Center in Tennessee sent to your Editor the following letter of concerned inquiry.

"I am writing about a problem encountered with *The Consumer Information Catalog*, sent in bulk to most depository libraries for patron handouts. I understand the design of the *Catalog* is for order purposes, but patrons often ask to see the publications before they order them. The entries in the *Catalog* offer nothing but a title and year of publication to the librarian trying to locate a Superintendent of Documents classification number for location within the documents collection. Even using the appropriate *Monthly Catalog* is often a blind reference. I can cite three examples of this in the Spring, 1978, *Catalog*. I also checked the *Publications Reference File* for these publications.

"Why can't the publishing agency and/or (preferably *and*) the classification number be included in the *Catalog* entry? Sometimes the publishing agency is obvious, but sometimes titles could fit under the auspices of several agencies. The inclusion of more information would certainly make the librarian's job

easier, and in my case, more productive. I was checking for a newspaper reporter doing a story on the material published by the Federal Government.

"I realize the *Catalog* comes out of Pueblo, Colorado. But with the publications there for mailing out, it could not be too difficult to include the publishing agency in the entry. I would appreciate hearing from you on this. Possibly you could put me in touch with the person in charge of the *Catalog*. I am guessing that other librarians have had or will have the same problem."

A. Your well expressed concern regarding the librarian's need for ad-

ditional information in *The Consumer Information Catalog* has also been voiced by others. Although the Government Printing Office does distribute the *CIC* via Pueblo, GPO does not prepare its contents. That responsibility is carried out by the General Services Administration. If librarians would like to suggest possible improvements in their publication, just drop a line to:

Mr. David Peterson
Executive Director
Consumer Information Center
GSA—Room 142G
Washington, D.C. 20405

Florida Documents Librarians Are Getting It All Together!

[The following letter sent to your Editor reflects the nationwide movement of documents-connected people to come together in state organizations for the exchange of information and furtherance of the Depository Library Program.]

Dear Editor of HIGHLIGHTS:

At the annual convention of the Florida Library Association in April, a Government Documents Caucus was formed to promote cooperation and exchange of information for those working with documents in Florida and to provide significant opportunities for continuing education.

Elected officers are: Chairperson—Bruce Latimer, University of North Florida; Vice Chairperson/Chairperson Elect—Clarice Ruder,

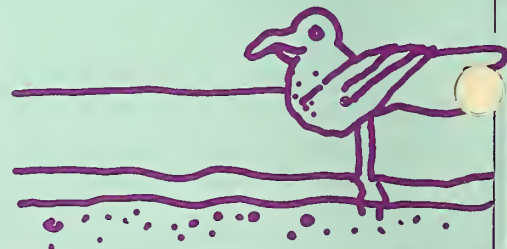
Tampa Public Library; Secretary—JoAnn McGonagill, State Library of Florida. The Caucus encourages attendance at its planned workshops by anyone working with or interested in documents, be they clericals, paraprofessionals, or professionals.

Those who were unable to attend the founding session at the Convention are cordially invited to contact any of the officers at their respective libraries.

A workshop is being planned for November to be held at the University of Florida.

Sincerely,

Bruce T. Latimer
Head, Documents Department
University of North Florida



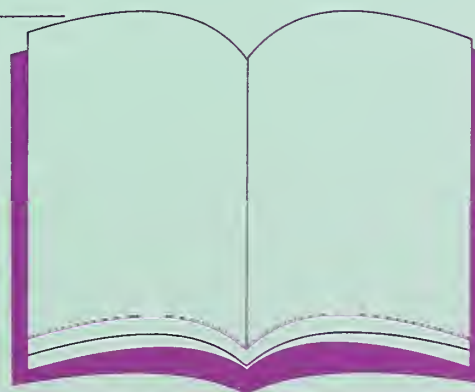


RECENT PARTICIPANTS IN GPO'S
LIBRARY AND STATUTORY DIS-
TRIBUTION SERVICE WORKSHOPS.

Microform Information

A recent issue of *Newsletter: Government Publications Chapter—California Library Association*, cited the following material as especially helpful for libraries considering microforms: the book, *Microforms in Libraries*, edited by Albert J. Diaz

(Westport, Connecticut, 1975); the articles, "Administration and Organization of Government Documents in Microform," *Documents to the People*, vol. 6, no. 1 (January 1978); "Microimagery in the Library," *Drexel Library Quarterly*, vol. 11, no. 4 (October 1975); "Documents in Microform," *Illinois Libraries*, vol. 18, no. 3 (March 1976).



Special Needs

If your depository library has some special needs of a general or specific nature, let us know. Below are some recent requests. If you can offer discards, write the requesting depository a letter (sending a copy to your regional). The library accepting the material agrees to pay any postage and packing costs that may be necessary.

Specific needs

1970 Census, Volume 1: Characteristics of Population, Final Volumes, C 3.223/9:970/v.1/pts. 3, 7, 9, 13, 14, 18, 20, 21, 25, 26, 28-31, 33, 36, 39, 43, 46, 47, 49, 50, 52.

Mr. Philip A. Yannarella
Documents Librarian
W. Frank Steely Library
Northern Kentucky University
Highland Heights, Kentucky 41076

Official Opinions of the Attorney General of the United States, vols. 41 to date.

Ms. Camille Motta
Chief of Technical Services
Federal Documents
State Library of Massachusetts
442 State House
Boston, Massachusetts 02133

National Weather Service, Daily River Stages C 55. 117: vol. 67 (1971).

Weather Bureau, Daily River Stages, C 30. 24: vol. 64 (1960).

Mr. William La Bissoniere
Government Publications Division
409 Wilson Library
University of Minnesota
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55455

Index Medicus 1967-1975.

Mrs. Regina L. Allen
W. B. Roberts Library
Delta State University
Cleveland, Mississippi 38732

Serial Set 11491 (82d Congress, 1st Session, Senate Reports, vol. 6).

Ms. Jeanne E. Boyle
Principal Librarian
U.S. Documents Division
Newark Public Library
Post Office Box 630
Newark, New Jersey 07101

ERIC, Resources in Education, 1973 Annual Index; 1975 Semi-Annual Index (Jan.-June).

Ms. Francine B. Kamen
Kilmer Area Library
Rutgers University
New Brunswick, New Jersey 08903

Congressional Record, vol. 117, pt. 21; vol. 119, pts. 8, 12.

Mrs. Annie G. Albertson
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Moye Library
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Cumulated Index Medicus, 1974, vol. 15; 1975, vol. 16.

National Library of Medicine Current Catalog, 1976.

Ms. Nancy Mumpton
Documents Librarian
Woonsocket Harris Public Library
303 Clinton Street
Woonsocket, Rhode Island 02895

Congressional Record, vol. 117, pt. 37 (bound).

Consumer Price Index, 1972, Aug.; 1973, March, Oct.; 1974, Oct.

Energy Abstracts for Policy Analysis, 1975, May.

Government Reports Announcements & Index, vol. 77, no. 4.

Ms. Jean Moore
Documents Librarian
Jere Whitson Memorial Library
Tennessee Technological University
Box 5066
Cookeville, Tennessee 38501

Federal Home Loan Bank Board Journal, 1975, Aug.; 1976, Oct.

Resources in Education, Semi-Annual Index, 1976 (July-Dec.).

Ms. Diane Wahl
Documents Librarian
Fondren Library
Dallas, Texas 75275

Monthly Labor Review, vol. 101, no. 4.

Pesticides Abstracts, vol. 7, no. 7; vol. 10, no. 12.

Plant Disease Reporter, vol. 62, no. 3.

Public Health Reports, vol. 93, no. 2.

Ms. Jeanie Barbrow
Government Documents
Frederick T. Kelly Library
Emory & Henry College
Emory, Virginia 24327

Abridged Index Medicus, 1970-74 (bound).

Ms. Sandra Sechrest
Documents Librarian
Murphy Library
1631 Pine Street
University of Wisconsin-La Crosse
La Crosse, Wisconsin 54601

Specific offers

Contact should be made with the library making the offer, not with your Editor! Libraries not having Regionals may only offer depository material when they have replaced it with microform or reprint, and have inquired from depositories within their state if it is wanted there. Duplicate copies, gifts, purchases, and other Government documents not received through the depository program may also be offered by such depositories.

Congressional Record (bound), vol. 116, pts. 7-12; vol. 117, pts. 3-20, 37, 38.

Ms. Mary Donahue
Documents Librarian
Lakewood Library
10200 West 20th Avenue
Lakewood, Colorado 80215

Nuclear Science Abstracts, 1962-73 (some gaps).

Mr. S. Mark Jarrell
Government Publications Librarian
William C. Jason Library
Delaware State College
Dover, Delaware 19901

Monthly Catalog, 1970, Feb., March; 1973, Nov.; 1974, Jan., Feb.; 1975, Feb., Mar.-May; 1976, Jan.-June, Sept.

Ms. Clarice Ruder
Government Publications Librarian
Tampa-Hillsborough County
Public Library System
900 North Ashley Street
Tampa, Florida 33602

Cumulated Index Medicus, 1977, vol. 18, books 8-14 (with book 14 missing, two books 13 instead).

Mr. Steven Adams
Documents Librarian
Morrisson-Reeves Library
80 North 6th Street
Richmond, Indiana 47374

Congressional Record, vol. 115, pt. 14; vol. 119.

Mr. James Wall
Serials Librarian
Thomas More College Library
Box 85
Covington, Kentucky 41017

Blind in the United States, 1920.

Deaf Mutes in the United States, 1910.

Indian Population in the United States and Alaska, 1910.

Statistical Directory of State Institutions for the Defective, Dependent, and Delinquent Classes, 1910.

1972 Census of Agriculture, vol. 2, ch. 2-9; vol. 3-4; vol. 5, pts. 1-11, 14-16; vol. 6.

1972 Census of Manufacturers, vol. 2, pts. 1-3.

Mr. Philip A. Yannarella
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Highland Heights, Kentucky 41076

Congressional Record, vols. 91-109, 118-121.

Mr. Mark Leggett
Business/Industry Librarian
Knoxville-Knox County Public Library
500 West Church Street
Knoxville, Tennessee 37902

Community Health Services Bureau, MCHS Research Series, HE20.5114, nos. 2-5.

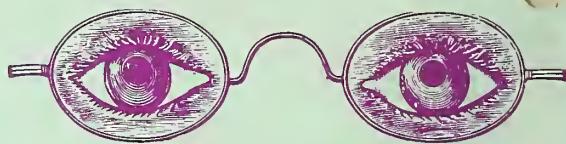
Health Manpower Bureau, Annual Report, HE20.6601, 1975, 1976.

Housing and Urban Development Dept., Annual Report, HH1, 1964-69; HUD Trends, HH1.14, 1975, June; HUD Challenge, HE1.36, 1969-73.

Indian Health Service, Alaska Native Medical Center, HE20.5311, 1975.

National Cancer Institute, NCI Smoking and Health Program: Reports, HE20.3171, no. 1; Report of the Director, HE20. 3168, 1973-75 & 1975 Annual Plan for Fiscal Year 1977-81; Report of the Division of Cancer Treatment, HE20. 3172, 1976, vols. 1 & 3.

National Institutes of Health, Annual Report, HE20.3001, 1972; Research Resources Reporter, HE20. 3013, vol. 1, nos. 5 & 6.



National Library of Medicine, Selected References on Environmental Quality as It Relates to Health, HE 20.3616, vol. 1, no. 1—vol. 3, no. 2 (1971, Jan.—1973, Feb.).

Public Health Service, Health Statistics Plan, HE20.16, 1978–82.

Ms. Laurie Brown
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Millsaps-Wilson Library
Millsaps College
Jackson, Mississippi 39210

Congressional Globe, 1859, 35th Cong., 2nd, pt. 2 & appendix; 1862, 37th Cong., 2nd, pt. 2; 1863–64, 38th Cong., 1st, pts. 1–4; 1864–65, 38th Cong., 2nd, pts. 1–2.

U.S. Reports, vols. 190, 296, 359.

U.S. Supreme Court Reports, 14–17, (4 law ed.), 1–4, Wheaton, 2nd ed.

Mrs. Alice Brown
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University of Nevada, Las Vegas
4505 Maryland Parkway
Las Vegas, Nevada 89154

Minerals Yearbook, 1963–1972.

Ms. Hilda Webb
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West Long Branch, New Jersey
07764

Bureau of Mines, Bulletins, 195, 846, 556, some 600's; Information Circulars, 6900–8500 (incomplete); Minerals Yearbook, 1963–67 (incomplete); Report of Investigations, 3600 to 7500 (incomplete).

U.S. Geological Survey, Annual Report, 1919; Bulletins, 1–1200 (incomplete); Circulars, 1–700 (incomplete); Professional Papers, 1–800 (incomplete); Publications of the Geological Survey, 1962–68; Water Supply Papers (incomplete).

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Congressional Record, vol. 117, pt. 24; vol. 119, pt. 9.

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Federal Register Users, Did You Miss This?

Depository libraries which happen to select Item 569–B, "Handbooks, Manuals, Guides," issued under the auspices of the National Archives and Records Service, should have received last fall a 70-page booklet entitled *The Federal Register: What It is and How to Use It, A Guide for the User of the Federal Register—Code of Federal Regulations System*.

This is a must for frequent users of *Federal Register* and *CFR*. Regrettably, libraries selecting those two publications (Items 573 and 572) would not automatically receive the booklet. If you missed it (distributed October 7, 1977, on Shipping List #10,227, SuDocs number GS 4.6/2:F31), it is available for sale from GPO. The stock number is: 022–003–00934–5; and the price is \$2.30.

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